Ocean Energy Bureau, Interior

REQUIRED REPORTS

§ 203.81 What supplemental reports do royalty-relief applications require?

(a) You must send us the supplemental reports, indicated in the fol-

lowing table by an X, that apply to your field. Sections 203.83 through 203.91 describe these reports in detail.

Required reports	End-of- life lease	Deep water		
		Expansion project	Pre-act lease	Development project
(1) Administrative information Report (2) Net revenue & relief justification report (3) Economic viability & relief justification report (RSVP model imputs justified by other required reports). (4) G&G report. (5) Engineering report. (6) Production report. (7) Deep water cost report (8) Fabricator's confirmation report. (9) Post-production development report.	X	X X X X X	X X X X X X	X X X X X

- (b) You must certify that all information in your application, fabricator's confirmation and post-production development reports is accurate, complete, and conforms to the most recent content and presentation guidelines available from the MMS Regional office for your region.
- (c) With your application and postproduction development report, you must submit an additional report prepared by an independent CPA that:
- (1) Assesses the accuracy of the historical financial information in your report; and
- (2) Certifies that the content and presentation of the financial data and information conform to our most recent guidelines on royalty relief. This means the data and information must—
- (i) Include only eligible costs that are incurred during the qualification months; and
 - (ii) Be shown in the proper format.
- (d) You must identify the people in the CPA firm who prepared the reports referred to in paragraph (c) of this section and make them available to us to respond to questions about the historical financial information. We may also further review your records to support this information.

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§ 203.82 What is MMS's authority to collect this information?

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approved the information collection requirements in part 203 under 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.* and assigned OMB control number 1010–0071.

- (a) We use the information to determine whether royalty relief will result in production that wouldn't otherwise occur. We rely largely on your information to make these determinations.
- (1) Your application for royalty relief must contain enough information on finances, economics, reservoirs, G&G characteristics, production, and engineering estimates for us to determine whether:
- (i) We should grant relief under the law, and
- (ii) The requested relief will ultimately recover more resources and return a reasonable profit on project investments.
- (2) Your fabricator confirmation and post-production development reports must contain enough information for us to verify that your application reasonably represented your plans.
- (b) Applicants (respondents) are Federal OCS oil and gas lessees. Applications are required to obtain or retain a benefit. Therefore, if you apply for royalty relief, you must provide this information. We will protect information considered proprietary under applicable law and under regulations at § 203.63(b) and part 250 of this chapter.